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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

: Nobuyuki Itoh et al.

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: HUMAN FGF-21 GENE AND GENE EXPRESSION PRODUCTS

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Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 11, 2003, applicant hereby elects Group II, claims 12-18 and 22, for examination at this time.

Also enclosed is a Petition to Revive for Unintentional Abandonment. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

> Respectfully submitted, Nobuyuki Itoh et al.

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